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Entries on the Parlo-Blanco Ranch

and the Stretching of the Gonzales

Grant.

Special Correspondence of the Post-Dispatch.

SANTA FE, N. M., October 14.—For three weeks past the special commission of the Post-Dispatch has vigorously prosecuted its labor of investigating the land frauds and political corruption in the Territory of New Mexico, with results which reveal the

immense workings and show in detail the methods of the thieves and carpet-bag politicians who have

governed that portion of Uncle Sam's domain and have run riot with the property which belongs to the general government. From the general tone of the developments which the Post-Dispatch will lay before the public eye, it is

apparent that the words of General Julian upon his arrival in New Mexico, "It seems that the very air out here breathes fraud and corruption," are true in every respect. Removed at a great distance from civilization and beyond the pale of its moral influence, the ambitious resident readily became

imbued with the idea that his operations, even should they depart from the straight and narrow path, will never be winded back in the States and that knowledge of them will be confined to the select circle in the immediate vicinity, every member of which

being equally as guilty and even abating in his guilt, is equally anxious to hush up everything that bears any resemblance to fraud, for fear that the numerous ramifications of any one particular case—and they are all far-reaching in their effect—may strike some part of his own and result in his exposure.

WITH VERY FEW EXCEPTIONS

the prominent men are all thinned with the prevailing greed for land grabbing, and subtle disclosures prove that they have left nothing undone on their part to satisfy that longing. It is strange how short a residence in such society is required to work a radical change in the conscience of the ordinary man. He comes out West to make a fortune; his passage through the country which Humboldt, the scientist, called "the gold mine of the world" is not obstructed by heaps of the precious metal, and finding upon inquiry that it is scarce and hard to get, he soon becomes convinced that the most inviting avenue open to him is to steal from the government, which, although not exactly an honest and legitimate proceeding, is not so very bad after all. Besides, the United States has more land than it can use to advantage, and since everybody else is apparently engaged in appropriating more than his share, the new arrival determined not to be left out entirely, chips off a good side and from that moment

HE IS AN OLD LAND-GRABBER

as his neighbor. Gradually he is drawn, step by step, deeper into the mire, and in order to protect himself is obliged to resort to measures which he would never have dreamed of employing a short time previous. THAT MILLIONS OF ACRES OF THE PUBLIC DOMAIN HAVE BEEN

FRAUDULENTLY TAKEN BY THE AGENTS OF CORRUPT OFFICIALS BY A SYSTEM OF SUBORNED PERJURY AND BY THE

EXTENSION OF OLD SPANISH AND MEXICAN LAND GRANTS IS EVIDENT to any intelligent person who has been in the Territory long enough to become acquainted with the people, their habits, business and wealth. The matter has been frequently called to the attention of the Interior Department during administrations previous to the present one, backed up by letters and affidavits from reputable and prominent persons. As a rule, no attention was paid to such recommendations, and in comparatively a few instances were requests for special investigating agents complied with. With the exception of Frank Hobbs the agents who were sent out

WERE CAJOLED OR BOUGHT OVER

by the thieves and officials, and as a result their reports were valueless. In some cases which were fortunate land appropriator who had sufficient independence to steal on his own hook and didn't "stand in" with the more powerful ring, was selected as the scapegoat of every rascal in the country and recommended for prosecution by the special agent. Two of these agents, Eddy and Dunn, sent out by Secretary Teller, were notoriously friendly with the very men whose operations they were sent out to investigate. Dunn was the great

friend of Stephen Dorsey, against whom charges of land frauds were at that time pending in the Department of the Interior at Washington. He lived at Dorsey's house on the Parlo-Blanco Ranch for several weeks, and a large proportion of the witnesses examined by him as to the validity of the titles to the sections of land comprising Dorsey's ranch were men brought before him by the ex-

aminer, and Dorsey's friends and agents. Of course Dunn was not to be trusted, and in every instance com-

ported that Dorsey had in every instance com-

plied with the provisions of the homestead and

preemption laws, and was legally and rightly

possessed of the property comprised in the Parlo-Blanco ranch.

DORSEY'S PARLO-BLANCO RANCH.

Subsequent investigation by Special Agent Hobbs, sent out at the instigation of Secretary Hill of Colorado, and by the Post-Dispatch, dis-

covered the fact that the Parlo-Blanco is covered by 140 different govern-

ment patents of 100 acres each. Its range extends from Chino Springs east to the State line, a

distance of nearly sixty miles, and it varies from fifteen to twenty-five miles south of a straight line drawn between those two points. The claims were

taken up and sworn to by some 140 different men, presumably in the employ of Mr. Dorsey, who

afterwards conveyed the land to Dorsey for a trifling consideration. This fact, together with

numerous others, will be given in detail in a subsequent letter. They are cited now only to show the

character of the Secretary's special expert in-

vestigation. Mr. Eddy, like Dunn, became in-

fatuated with Dorsey's genial manner, and also

fascinated by the honesty of the latter's land ven-

ture. Most of Dorsey's operations in New Mexico have been confined to frauds of the nature mentioned

above. He has refrained from all Spanish and Mexican grant steals and has played a sort of second fiddle to that of Blaine's friend, Steve Elkins, in the political management of territorial affairs.

DOSEY'S OWN STATE.

The two men are exactly opposites in nature and habits and attain the same ends by exactly opposite methods. Dorsey is liberal to a fault and spends money as a lavish hand. As your Commissioner

was informed shortly after his arrival at Santa Fe, "If Dorsey had any idea that you were going to write about the Parlo-Blanco Ranch, he wouldn't hesitate a minute to offer you \$200 to give him a favorable send-

off." He drinks to excess, which in connection with his custom of "treating" all of the boys in town on his numerous visits, has made every nation and barkeeper in the Territory his sworn

friend. As a consequence he holds a strong power in territorial elections, and hence his political strength. Steve Elkins neither drinks, swears or

uses tobacco in any form. He is somewhat of a miser in money matters and never lets go of a cent unless obliged to do so.

strong hold in his influence at Washington and his readiness to assist in the protection of and to further the plans and schemes of his friends. It is notorious all over the Territory that a telegram to Steve from a Government official that his office is to be investigated, and that there is danger ahead, will send Elkins off to Washington post-haste in the interests of his about-to-be-investigated friends, and as a rule, the Washington authorities very kindly allow Mr. Elkins to suggest the name of the expert who makes the inquiries. The proof of these assertions is in the fact that while corruption does undoubtedly exist and the govern-

ment has been robbed in every quarter without stint.

THE SPECIAL AGENTS HAVE NEVER

by the most diligent inquiry been able to unearth a single case of any prominence. Senator Ed-

munds of Vermont, who has always posed as an authority upon land matters, recognizing the con-

dition of affairs in New Mexico, made a laudable at-

tempt to put his party straight upon the records and prepare for a change of administration. He had a young man from the East named Clarence Pullen appointed Surveyor-General of the Territory.

Pullen was a PROMISING YOUNG SURVEYOR,

anxious to make a good reputation, and who would clean up the Augean stable of fraud and corruption, in short order. When Pullen arrived in Santa Fe, he learned that the new set of reform instructions had preceded him and that the clerks in the office were trembling with the fear of removal. Strong

influences were brought to bear on him to retain the old office and to force, but with the words of Edmunds ringing in his ears, he made an heroic effort and dismissed every man on his staff who drank, chewed or gambled, or against whom there was a breath of suspicion. The old crowd still hangs around him, however, and endeavored by social influences and every other means to con-

centrate him. Before Pullen had fairly started his honest task of breaking up the corrupt ring and exposing the frauds which had been practiced in the land office under him, he succumbed to the prevailing vice of drunkenness, and in a few months after his appointment he was little else than a wreck of his former self. His office was practically thrown over to the management of his chief clerk, a man named Patterson, and instead of bringing order out of chaos, he only succeeded in complicating the tangle. As an instance of the degree to which Edmunds' "promising young man" had fallen, I cite his course in

THE GONZALES GRANT CASE.

The grant first came up for appeal before Atkin-

son, Pullen's predecessor, who had given an opinion in its favor, and approved of a survey of it for

something like 300,000 acres. Subsequently Atkin-

son was forced by the numerous protests filed

against the survey of the Gonzales grant to re-

consider the case, and on the evidence submitted

he reversed his decision. Then the matter

rested until the last few weeks of

September, when the Deputy Surveyor wrote

night and day in order to complete the survey of

the grant before the date of Pullen's retirement, but

despite all of their efforts they were unable to do

so, and Pullen approved the survey on some two

weeks after the appointment of Gen. Julian,

his successor, and while Julian was en route to

assume charge of the office. The haste with which

the Gonzales survey was conducted and all of the

attending circumstances bear a very suspicious

look. They will be set forth in detail in another

communication to the Post-Dispatch. The Gon-

zales grant, by the way, is familiarly known as

THE "CONFESSION GRANT."

and parties with legal titles to neighboring and

adjoining grants claim, and the wording of the

grant itself bears them out, that THE GONZA-

LES GRANT ORIGINALLY COMPRISED ABOUT

300,000 ACRES, FROM WHICH IT WAS STRETCHED

TO ITS PRESENT PROPORTIONS. In this

case the elasticity of the Mexican

conscience is very clearly shown.

One of the boundaries in dispute was a certain

mountain called in the grant Bald Mountain. On

the occasion of the first survey survey testimony

was brought forward to prove that the elevation

known to the inhabitants of the surrounding coun-

try for hundreds of years back was a peak some

thirteen miles distant from Santa Fe and some

twenty miles distant from the southern boundary

of the grant. When the second survey was

made a corresponding amount of testimony was

given to prove that the northern boundary of the

grant was in the first survey was wholly incor-

rect, on the strength of which the grant was

cut down over 120,000 acres. This goes to

show the truthfulness of the average Mexican

witness and the idea which he entertains of the

nature of an oath. Instances in which con-

fession has been given as to the bound-

ary calls of grants, and a decision rendered on the

work of the case as presented to the Sur-

veyor-General and invariably against the Govern-

ment, are many. It will be shown upon exam-

ination of the records in the office at Santa Fe.

Your Commissioner, in overhauling the plats and

survey of record there found that a very large

majority of the plats and maps of surveys, town-

ships and private claims

WERE WHOLLY INCORRECT

as compared with the maps of New Mexico compiled

by the General Land Office at Washington. Under

the deposit system of surveying which was in force

for years, the Government paid a portion of the

expense incurred by a settler in the survey of his

claim. From the records left by those men who

performed the work it is quite evident—in fact it can

be and will be proven—that in a large number of

cases fraud was resorted to by the Deputy Sur-

veyor in representing that certain claims had been

taken up by settlers and application made for their

signatures to the Deputy Surveyor, made the

survey; upon which they, the deputies, made the

surveys and drew the money set apart by the

general government to assist the settler

in defraying the cost of the survey. Proof is

abundant that no claims were taken up as re-

sented, and that the whole project was but

a scheme to obtain the government money

as a part for settlers as above stated. Surveys

were made corruptly after this fashion bear the ap-

proval of the Surveyors-General, and are a stand-

ing witness to criminal carelessness or worse on the

part of these Surveyors-General















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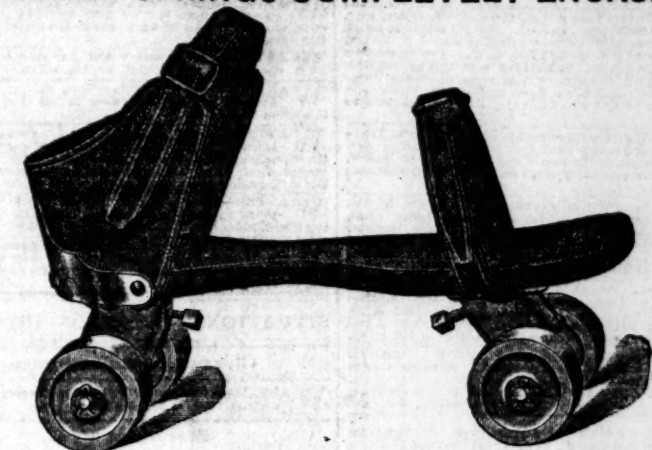
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